Science Council Minutes February 27, 2002 DCED 324 South State, #500

Those in attendance:

Troy Takach
Gary Hooper
Michael Keene
Dennis Sauer
Heather Greenwall
Michael Brehm
Pete Doenges
Gary Lund

Gary Hooper called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

Minutes were distributed prior to meeting.

A motion to approve the April minutes was carried over from previous meeting.

All in favor

A suggestion to shorten the minutes for December and carryover to next month. Review the shortened minutes and approve at the next meeting.

Mr. Michael Keene, Ph.D. was introduced as the new State Science Advisor

Gary Hooper will schedule the annual meeting with the Governor by contacting Neil Ashdown to find the reporting lines or an organizational chart for the Science Advisor. It is important to keep the reporting lines directly to the Governor's office in the Science Advisor capacity.

Dennis Sauer was Interim Science Advisor and the recognition and appreciation is very great for his volunteering during the time of absence for a Science Advisor. Mr. Sauer has been associated with the Science Council for about seven years.

After reviewing the April minutes, there was to have been a follow-up time frame on the Parowan Gap issue to ensure that the agencies the resolution was sent to followed through.

The resolution was created and approved, the outside entities never received the resolution and nothing was ever done about it. This follow-up time frame fell upon a time that Suzanne left and the information did not get passed on. The entities were BLM/UDOT the state archeologist.

Discussion about the Parowan Gap was conducted to bring Mike up to speed.

AGENDA ITEM: Parowan Gap review

FOLLOW UP: Mike Keene to review the resolution and recommend what action should be taken. Mike Keene to contact those who are to be in receipt of the resolution. Possibly invite the recipients of the resolution to the next meeting.

There are three pending nominations to the council. Mike Brehm has three individuals that are candidates to sit on the council. Bennett, Calendar, KonKar were names given by Mike Brehm.

There are ad-hoc members of the council, the others are to be from industry, vice-presidents of research, and the Department of Education.

ACTION ITEM: Heather Greenwall-Verify the composition of the council; verify the number of members etc.

There was a list of candidates that was previously distributed to give an idea of whom was to be nominated. Distribute this list via email and make a few choices. The list was generated in the minutes from early summer/late spring 2001.

Committee reports K-12 Education Task Force

Pete Doenges reported on the K-12 committee for the Utah Technology Alliance. There was a meeting held at the end of January. The group has a wide array of agenda items to work on. Rich Kendall, Deputy of Education in the Governor's office, has written a proposal for a technology high school. There is some partial funding for the technology high school. An official copy of the initiative will be distributed at a later date.

There is a proposal going out to NSF generating from the University of Utah for a discipline specific, simulation based master's degree for Math and Science teachers for Utah. The strategy paper for the simulation high school has been sent to the people at the University.

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss the possibility of presenting the simulation high school at the banquet.

ACTION ITEM: Invite Val Finlayson to next meeting held April 23, 2002.

Technology Transfer

Gary Hooper reported on the Technology Transfer committee. A meeting was scheduled in January. He was unable to attend due to inclement weather.

Citizen's Advisory Commission

Troy Takach reported on the CAC. The meeting was held at DEQ on North Temple. Next month will be held in Tooele on March 21, 2002. Discussion and summary was conducted of the destruction of chemical weapons at the Tooele Army Depot. The information on the CAC meetings will be distributed to the SAC members.

Science Council Marketing Plan

Troy Takach reported on the marketing plan and the development of press coverage of the Governor's Medal. Digital IQ has agreed to do a story on the Gov Medal recipients and the Science Council, and would like to be present at the ceremony. Troy will be meeting with a representative from the Deseret News regarding coverage of the Gov Medal and the SAC as well.

ACTION ITEM: Coordinate with Jeri Openshaw about getting some coverage of Gov Medal by KSL or other media.

Governor's Medal

Dennis Sauer reported on the mailing information about the Gov Medal. The database has been reduced to approximately 1100 names, with a general targeted market.

Teams will not be accepted as nominations.

Simulation High School

This topic will be discussed at the next meeting.

A meeting with the Governor needs to be scheduled to discuss the role of the Science Council. The meeting has been held each year at least the past seven years.

ACTION ITEM: MICHAEL KEENE-Schedule a meeting with the Governor to discuss the role of the SAC, the medal ceremony and the special nominations for the Gov Medal. Take some of the prepared materials from the Marketing Plan to the Governor to leave with him.

This meeting has been followed up with a legislative meeting about the same time. Suzanne was the only one that attended.

ACTION ITEM: Gather the two-page information sheet about the SAC to deliver to the Gov.

ACTION ITEM: If there are any summaries or reports that the SAC members have, please forward to Mike.

Possibly have a brain storming session after May to determine the direction of the Science Council.

TABLE ITEM VI until next meeting

The Gov Medal nominations were passed out to the sub-committee. The members of the sub-committee include Gary Lund as Sue Johnson's alternate.

Move to adjourn made at 4:00 p.m.

All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.